# PETER THE GREAT TOQUES

The Favorite Midsummer Hat of the Season.

SWEET

FEMININE GUILE

Bewitching Gypsy Shoes Explain the Mystery of Over-Long Skirts. Jewel Caskets No Longer Contain the Pretty Mock Stones of Last Season-Holf-Mourning.

New York, Aug. 6.-The altogether generics of the shoppers' occupation is plainly evident these dog days, but every woman who has a heart for clothes is aprendig her plumes or noting those of her neighbors.

Truth to tell, there is a very lively display of sarrorial funcies to attract attention and nothing is of more interest to the curious than the smart outing custumes of women in mourning. A skirt of ink black pique, relieved by divers small flaunces of black lawn, edged with white lace and every ruffle headed by a row of narrow white braid, is sure to make a striking point in any landscape. With such a garment the mourners assume white pique coars, the broad revers, collars and cuffs of black pique, and this goes over a black muslin shirt walst. inely striped in white. Women who are not mourners wear short white twill coats, faced on revers, cuffs and collar with a

bright solid color. Black and white flat straw, braided, new variety is conspicuous. The French sailor, it is called, having a realist small high crown, and a brim that is wider than usual, inclining dis-tinctly down toward the face. The rib-less that classe the crown is tied to one and two narrow little streamers r over the right ear. On the whole, there ever the right ear. On the whole, these are more becoming than the hard and fast little head box we have worn so long and anited femininity seems to favor sullors of mixed straws. 'A plain white round straw, with a black or white ribbon hand, is falling out of good grace, and if there is any generalization yet to be indusped in with regard to reterral bath it is to comment on the yet to be industry in the second of the multiplication of the small tail shapes.

Women, whose clothes are significant of the fastire, certainly do not wear wide 'headpleces. They will tell you

wide headpleces. They will tell you that the queer pretty crown-shaped affairs of tulle they go calling in, are Poter the Great hats; but so far you can't find one of these at the milliner's. Explain what you want, and she will smile a significant by and by smile, which plainly enough indicates that this and all the other new styles of toques mus be waited for until the autumn. Meanwhile, if you wish to run shoulder to shoulder with the fashions, you can adopt a pretty black lace Napoleon toque, set far back on your head and waving with arge light plumes. Very far down on the ears come the points of this lace or tulle cap, but to most women the ace or tulle cap, but to most women the

effect is becoming.

There is a pretty plague of white leg-herns raging in the country settlements this month-wide brimmed children's shapes and invariably trimmed one of two ways. Either a scurf of mousseline brilliante, striped with many rows of nar-row yellow tace, ruffled on, is wound and amounted about the crown, or a wattent would see the country of the co knotted about the crown, or a wattent wreath of pink roses encircles one-half of crown and low-hanging brim, with tufts of green grenadine ribbon completing the decoration. One would think the period of dotage was follow earlier than hither-to on our women. If the wearing of these habyish hals can be taken as an indication. Mothers of well-samoned daughters in these wide and rose confections fit. pin these white and rose confections, fit for schoolgirls, on their grizzling heads and go forth content, conspicuous and

of clubbonses of bright afternoons, dis-play rather widish hats of deep yellow broom straw, fancifully trimmed with session of royalty brown gold and green field grasses, a gestion of royalty.

Queen Margaret of Italy owns next to that particular style of plate for Vernis Martin or Sheridan furniture, for afterith as the most distinctly fashionable head as the most distinct fashionable head as the most distinct fashionable head as the most distinct fashiona straw, fancifully trimmed with gold and green field grasses, a residen of royalty.

Except a slik velvet dress trimmed with saile, there is sourcely another costume quite so costly as an all-white muslin, for muslin brilliants is what the moni-tors of fashlon have adopted. This is for musin ormains is what he forms for a fine for the sale warp, and only the lower half of the bodice and upper half of the skirt are ever made of it. The foot of this must be close set mustin ruf-foot of this must be close set mustin ruf-ties, all edged with narrow soft water grass grain ribben. At back and from the short must sweet the floor in order to hell and like the open petals of a lly. white act alseeves require showers as risbon-edged ruffles falling dythe knuckles, and to cap this modish cli-max is big mesgav of white sweet that should find lodgment on the left shoulder.

There is always a deep laid plot behind every apparently inexplicable whim of the chargeful feminine tollet. Whose-ever will take especial notice at any erming of pretty human butterflies car easily guess why long skirts have been mominated in this season's bond of fash-ion. A woman whose gown is a couple of inches too long in front is obliged many many times in an hour to daintill lift up the front breadths, in order that she may not trip over. While so doing she does expose perhaps a tritle more of her green or gray sueds gypsy shoes than one would ordinarily, or thus, by this art-

gypsy shoe is made of green glace. kid, with a low heel, a square toe and a chased silver buckle, connecting two straps that cross high on the instep. often a pretty pattern is cut pressed into the leather, and green silk hose, exactly matching the shoe, are worn with this tidy slipper. Venezian sandals are assumed chiefly

but maneuver, call public attention to her

Venetian slippers, both styles of footgear being eminently worthy of display and ad-

at night, for dances and dinners. Their black with vamps are cut as low as pos-sible over the toe, which is rounded, and the heel is gilled, to harmonize with the delicate geometric lines of gold embroiddensitie geometric mess of good embryud-ery that are fretted out over the black background. Occasionally one sees worn with these black silk stockings, heavily interwoven with gold threads; but an un-pleasant suspicion lingers that this type of hosiery never can be permitted to visi tub. Most sensible and becom ng of all the Summer shoes seen so far re the Oxford ties of willow calf. Women who boast that all Summer long

they wear nothing more costly than whit duck and pique skir's and shirts, who cut same skirts ankle short and hav discarded stiff lines collars for soft place stocks, have taken the willow calf shoe to their hearts as well as their feet. They to their hearts as wen as their feet. They extol its merits far over the virtues of pigskin, yellow seatskin and Russia leather and invariably lace their new ties with leather themes, in place of silk facers. That woman errs who adds to her tol-

let by day any undue amount of lewels. Last Winter mock stores, elaborate beit slides and fanciful chains and pins flashed or even pedestrian. With the Summer this habit has altered, and though semi-precious stones are as popular as ever, the cheap, pretty make-believe, in an easily ed setting, has gone silently out try club house plazza the jewels displayed | season.

will only be seen at intervals, and those are very apt to be genuine. An excep-tion must be made in favor of pearls, The machine made imitation of the oys-ter's product wreathes many fair throats,

but a small, very white pearl is the kind usually adopted. Numbers of women have a fad for col-lecting and wearing eccentric pearls, that is, in shape or color. These are real, however, and a goodly number come from our own rivers in the West. One of the new favorite ways of utilizing large irregularly-formed pearls is to string three on a very fine gold thread. The thread is long enough to pass around the throat, the under the chin and have the wo ends hanging for about two or three nches. At the point where the thread iles one large pearl is fixed, while the two others finish off the ends of the fine chain. A lartic, queerly-shaped black, yellow and pink pearl is considered the most appropriate combination for such a neckiace, else for a chain similarly worn. n the arm.

Almost as lovely as the true gems wom-en wear are the sequing, cut from pink, white and smoked pearl, that glitter on some of the very new gowns. It does not require a visit to a fashion oracle to prophesy that shell sequins will com-mand a high place in the estimation of mand a high place in the estimation of the well dressed in the months to come. Nothing yet produced in jet can equal the iridescent beauty of these small and large discs, cut from mussel, conche and oyster shells, highly polished, and fas-tened to the ratin or net by a tiny hook in the back of each sequin. With this idealized and glittering wampum, flowers, leaves and fanciful patterns are outlined, and, on the very splendid gowns, the de-signs are hilled in with heading or em-broiders. So far only a little of the shell broadery. So far only a little of the shell acquin work has been seen, and that, being a direct importation, is enormously expensive, but it is safe to reckon that the price will come down as soon as a large quantity of the new trimming is brought over.

As the vigilant cat observes the hole where the mouse went in, so must the carefully-dressed woman watch the skirts of her sister in fashion, in order to be In saller shape, is the choice hat among ready for the next demonstration in those who are in summer black, and drapery. A motion is undoubtedly being instead of the sailor of familiar form, a made in favor of turning what are now made in favor of turning what are now flounces into loops and falls of material so soon as heavier goods than muslin and foolard come into use. Even the mid-summer suits of cloth have braided fronts, detached from the skirt and falling from the hips to below the knees in acute or rounded points. They are chic and deficate bareges are twitched up on the high to cast wrinkles toward the feet and take away from the exact plainness of the skirt that has no salvation in the way of raffics. Conclusions galore, and very trustwor-

thy ones, as in what the mondaines are wearing of an evening can be drawn from the three figures of costumes given here. From alloper to toe to topmost curi these cetched beauties are synonymous with the best that is appearing at any one of

fets silk of a popular color known as vio let and silver. That is, a pure violet sho with silver, and its rear breadths are flounced up to the walst with white musin brilliante. Draped over the top of the low-cut body is a scarf of white mus-lin, while the shoulder straps are formed of a series of gold cameo brooghes, se

that a series of gold cames broomer, set thout with pearls.

A trained dinner gown of white satin is thoun in the third picture. Garnishment in the form of white Limerick lace is displayed in a fan drapery on the long rear olds of satin, and a similar arrangement f face on the body is caught with a jew-led pin at the waist line. A suggestion in evening wraps is af-

forded by the fourth figure. Here we have the usual shawl shape and the wrap is made of either satin or white Summer weight broadcloth, with a sath flounce on the edge. Full frills of silk muslin line the high collar and a kerchief of the same falls over the shoulders.

## SOME ROYAL JEWELS.

Queen Victoria Leads off With the Kohinoor Dinmond.

on green lawns at the thresholds never been set, and forthermore she has

the ex-Queen of Hanover the linest neck-lace of pearls in existence. She does not, like her deposed majesty of Hanover, possess a six-foot string of these lovely heads every one an also line match in shape and color, but so ex-ensive and so precious as her pearl ropes that her maids are obliged to wear a portion of the collection all the while, in order to assist the Queen in keeping the gems pure, justicus, and healthy by constant contact with warm human flesh. It is King Humbert who buys the pearls for his wife, and he is, like Queen Victoria, an expert in jewels.

The Queen Victoria an expert in jewels.

The Queen Victoria and a neeklace of emeralds finit is quite unrivaled. They, like Margaret of Italy's pearls, are now crown property. The Empress of Russia, wears next after Queen Victoria the largest diamond had riveles of surpussing splendor, but all of these belong to the mation, though the richest and most varied agregation of proclass stones are owned by the Russian Church. Not all

thedrais of Moscow or St. Petersburg.
That quiet, domestic lady, the Queen of
Dresden, enjoys the ownership of four
samphires equal in size and beauty to the one that glows in the crown of England, and the favorite wives of the Shah of Persia and the Sultun of Turkey wear turquoises the like of which no western queen can boast. Mrs. Langtry at one time owned the most perfect set of turquoises in European but he residue with quoises in Europe, but her necklace and bracelets were sold at length and the finest stones came to America. The Duchess of Westminster still wears, however, the largest flawless turquoise owned by any private individual; the Duchess of Sutherland possesses the only complete necklace of black pearls, and it is said by jewelers that Mrs. Potter Palmer's star sapphires are still unrivaled. uoises in Europe, but her necklace and

## Oxygen for Rabies.

"Now is the time," says an eminent medical authority on children's diseases, "for mothers to keep their bables out of doors all the day long, when the weather is decently fine. Let the little ones, shielded from sun and draught, take their naps out of doors. Even in northern Italtudes, they may safely sleep in the open air in the daytime until Thanksgiving. and frequently even later than this children thus treated will have little susceptibility to colds, sore throats, etc., and will withstand almost any disease." Parents seem to forget that children are born with the hunger and need for plonty of oxygen. It is not less esen-tial than their food. Two or three hours on pleasant days is utterly insufficient for expanding lungs, yet it is all that the majority of babies get. Twelve hours is none too much this season, and there is scarcely a day in the whole year when

they may not be taken out.

A remarkable instance of the results of this practice has come into my own personal experience. There is by the way no such thing as inherited disease, only inherited tendencies; and these "tendencies" may be successfully combatted by commanding proper conditions. The child of one of my patients directly inherited tuberculosis from both sides of the famiforth from every fair cailer, theatergoer, by and was a very delicate infant. The or even pedestrian. With the Summer this parents, however, had the courage to habit has altered, and though semi-precious stones are as popular as ever, the kept it out of doors practically all the by and was a very delicate infant. The parents, however, had the courage to adopt this treatment, and from its birth kept it out of doors practically all the daytime. Now, at the age of six, it is a child of uncommon vigor. One can of course establish this habit only in mild weather, and now is the most favorable season. This is also a Reham who has not find the course of the c child of uncor

WOMEN AND BRIC-A-BRAC.

Have Become Famous as Col tectors of Antiques,

Summer time is the lean season for the dealer in bric-a-brac. This is because the women are out of town, for it is by the might of the newly developed feminine love for collecting antiquities, backed by the feminine dollar, that the keeper of the curiosity shop has become the most pompous prosperous tradesman on the block. He used to be about the furtherest underdog in the ous ness of buying and selling, but his Joom began

employed women as traveling buyers for its through the country, but in the South and New England, whence our best stock comes, our most valued and expert buy-ers are two young women. They were both of them country girls, in out-of-the way districts, looking for the means of

thousands of dollars into these two fads thoroughly and make the opposite a cer-

thousands of dollars into these two fads of hers. In England she has got together relics of the Siddons, Kitty Oilve, Woffington and Rachel that are worthy of a place in a museum, and her collection of plate fairly overflows both her New York and English homes.

A strange development has come about in our trade since women have cultivated a taste for brica-brac. Prior to this new interest of theirs we never had employed women as traveling buyers for

The very heavy rains or early spring has caused "poison lyy" to be more ram-pant than ever in country and suburban places this summer. At the slightest appearance of irritation of the skin, while in the neighborhood of this dangerous growth, rub olive oil carefully into the



MIDSUMMER TOILETS.

about six years ago, it has been a rising boom ever since, and he gratefully admits that the women did it all. He can prove it by showing you to his books a dozen fermine for one masculine name. "It was the uttra tashonanie women

as went in for antiques and bric-a-brac rat." said one dealer, who does a whirl-ig business in the winter. "They and ing the actresses who grow rich, are our most valued patrons and the shrawdest and most intelligent buyers, too, though feminine-like, they exhibit very marked eccentricities in selecting and purchasing For example, it is rarely we find a wo-man who interests herself in more than one species of bric-a-brae at a time. Then, too, true to her sex, they dearly

ration, though the richest and most va-ried aggregation of precious stones are owned by the Russian Church. Not all the queens of Europa own jewels to half, the value of those set in the status, the value of those set in the status,

rosses, altars and vestments at the cacherish a deeper respect than Miss Elsi de Wolf. Years before the taste for sou at all Miss de Wolf slowly and carefully gathered up out of shops in New York and Paris bits of old French and Spanish paste, odd examples of gold and silver work in Jewelry, combs. rings, buckles, etc., and then she added to this a really splendid array of fans.

Her possessions of seventeenth and eighteenth century paste alone could hardly be matched outside a European museum, and now that this ardor for collecting has grown so earnest, the value

lecting has grown so earnest, the value of her array of antique jewelry has in-creased to the proportions of a small for-tune. There are numbers of women who would gladly exchange their diamond thiaras and necklaces for her ancient imitation stones, but fine pasts, though the thing most desired by the feminine collectors today, is the most difficult article

It is Mrs. Oliver Belmont who comes oftenest to the shops of bric-a-brac deal-ers with a fashionable friend, to pass judgment on some plece of mahogany which the friend has under consideration, for Mrs. Belmont is one of the few persons who can literally, when blind-folded, put her hands on a piece of this wood and tell in an instant whether it is old and good or new and green. A part of her gifts from her parents at her marriage were wonderful sets of mahog-any bed-room and dining-room furniture, taken from their old home in the South. With this as a starter she began to buy good mahogany here and there, until the dealers in antiques, learning of this taste, fell into the way of sending her word when any special prize came into their hands. As a collector she is unique among women, for she never disputes a price. She prefers mahogany from the South, and, after carefully examining a chair or table, passing her white hands caressingly over the wood, she puts down the price named, or drops the whole mat-

ter then and there. oven, is an excellent homemade article. Some bits, renewed occasionally, should be in milk cellar or les box, one or two not so well known to the trade, though, as a tail, gray-haired woman, who always looks over the last bits of old English plate one may have in, inquires if any relics of famous actresses have turned up, and who has all an Irishwoman's genius for blarney when she wants to hammer down a set price.

This is Miss Ada Behan, who has put

earning a living. An inspiration came to them to work the ran field of antique furniture brasses ceramics etc. stored furniture, brasses, ceramics, etc. n the farm and plantation houses of the

neighborhood. So elever did they put through their project, and such valuable stock do they ontrive to lay hands on that they com-mand their own wages, even in the very lights of summer, when all other pro-lessions, gave that of the bric-a-brac buyer, is flatter than a stale griddle cake

### A Royal Favorite.

One of the most brilliant figures in London soriety during the past someon was the dark-eyed, dark-haired daughter of

skin and instant relief is said to follow. This is also a remedy for insect stings. To insure the proper drawing out of salt from meat or mackerel scak it over night in milk instead of water. Sour milk

will answer as well as sweet.

A tough steak may be made tender if rubbed over night or for a few hours with baking soda (blearbonate). very quickly, and dry well before putting in a very hot frying pan. This is some-times more convenient than brilling, and if the pan is properly hot and turning duly attended to, the result will be very

If eggs are short and icing is desired for cake, soak a tablespoonful of gelatin for a few minutes in the same amount



her name almost invariably appears in the list of those guests whom the princess may desire invited to the private houses where royalty is to be entertained.

Things Worth Knowing. Charcoal is useful so often, particularly in the hot weather, that it is well to renember that a broomstick, cut in convenient lengths and burnt black in the oven, is an excellent-homemade article.

from the plums left in the bag, if the juice ds not drained too dry. Rub these

through a coarse sieve, simmer until

tender, then stir in a scant pint of granu-

lated sugar to each plut of the fruit, bring to the boll, pour into cups or tumb-lers, and when cold cover like currant jeily. It's fully light of sugar is used the cheese will be too hard to spread.

TWO ROYAL MATCH-MAKERS.

Rivalry Between Queen Victoria and Louisa of Denmark.

Queen Victoria is the chiefest of them She comes honestly by her match-making knack-which Thackeray says inheres in all good women. In the life settlement of her own young-

lings, the Queen was much hampered by

religious considerations. After she had

secured the Crown Prince of Prussia for her eldest daughter, she was a sort of her eldest daughter, she was a sort of hymeneai Alexander, weeping for more Protestant princes to conquer. As the temporal head of the English Church it to be the constant princes to conquer the first person of the Western World, to be temporal head of the English Church it would never, never have done to have her sons and daughters go off into Catholiciam, or even the Greek Church. The British taxpayer and the "non-conformat conscience" would have made a pretty pother over such a thing. That disposed of various matrimonial potentialities among continental royalties. The Prince of Wales may have made a love match of Wales may have made a love matchbut it is beyond question her Lutheran
faith more than her beauty and charm
which recommended Alexandra of Denmark. The nation might have grown turbulent, and heady at the prospect of a bulent, and heady at the prospect of a Catholic future queen. At any rate the reigning queen did not choose to risk it then any more than she chose to do it more than thirty years later, when the bulent, and heady at the prospect of a

Alfred, Duke of Edinburgh, now Duke of Saxe-Coburg, handsomest, stinglest and most gifted of the queen's children, she managed to mate exactly to her mind. He was sent to St. Petersburg,—of course there was no talk of wife-hunting—and so captivated the Russian Emperor's daughter, nothing would do her but to marry alm, although the marriage ran counter to every line of Russian policy, interest and tradition. Grand Duchess Marie was her father's idol-he could gainsay nothing. But for his untimely taking off by an anarchist bomb, it is unlikely the relations between the two

taking off by an awarchist bomb, it is unlikely the relations between the two countries would ever have reached their present tension.

In matching her grandchildren, the queen has had a very much freer hand. There she could leave out of account the non-conformist conscience. How well she has realized the fact may be gleaned from this incomplete reckoning of thrones present and prospective, filled by her descendants. Emperor William is her grandson; his sister, Princess Sophie, will one day be queen of Greece, unless Greece gets out of the way of having queens. Emperor William has six sons, one of whom is slated to marry the young Queen of Holland. Falling a Prussian prince, Wilhelmina may be mated with one of her English cousins, who are the queen's grandsons, children of the dead Prince Leopold. Their mother, a Princess of Waldeck-Pyrmont, refused old King William of Holland, who turned for consolation to her sister, the present lation to her sister, the present

for consolation to her sister, the present queen regent.

Even should an earthquake engulf the six young Prussian princes, Victoria's blood would hold the throne. Prince Henry is not merely her grandson, but married to her granddaughter, Irens of Hesse. The Hesse princellugs, indeed, have been trump cards for the royal matchmaker. Princess Elizabeth is a Russian grand duchess, with only three lives, none of them robust, between her husband and the throne. It was by her help-she is witty, and beautiful, and just the least bit wicked—that Queen Victoria was enabled to make Princess Alix. just the least bit wicked—that Queen Victoria was enabled to make Princess Aix
Tsarita. The Tsar Nicholas, an impassive and somewhat cold-blooded young
person, was deep in forbidden tolis. Alix,
herself, poor as princess could be, and
willful as she was beautiful, did not care
to have greatness thrust upon her, along
with an indifferent husband. But grandmamma persisted—so the wedding came
off, and that in spite of a heap of diplomatic effort to prevent it.

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## A Siamese Superstition.

All women of the tropics fade early, but ione more quickly than the women of Siam, and this chiefly for two reasons. They are really very pretty as young girls, and, seldom or never growing stout, they should retain their beauty for a long period, and would do so were it not for some of their customs and supersti-

The most promiscuous of these is the treatment of a woman who has just beentirely unaccustomed in that hot climate is immediately lighted in her room, near the bed, and kept burning without intermission for two weeks. This is done for the purpose of exorcising demons and evil spirits, and very often results in ex-orcising the spirit of the poor little wo-man herself. The heat of her room during her entire illness is simply insup-portable, and where it does not produce fatal results tends to undermine the strongest constitution. As the girls mar-ry when very young, they are likely to be old women long before they are thirty. be old women long before they are Then the disgusting habit of chewing the betel nut, combined with the fact that they have no dentists, transforms the originally pretty mouth of the Siamese women into a hideous spectacle. They first smear a seri-leaf over with quick lime and then wrap in it a piece of the betel nut, very much as one rolls a cig-arette; and they are rarely seen without son, is so rich, both in flavor and color, that it is well to preserve it while the fruit is plentiful. A plum cheese, very appetizing to spread on toast or bread and butter for breakfast, may be made

t piece in their mouths.

The Stamese women have a curious way The Slamese women have a curious way of carrying this narcotte about with them. They have their ears pierced exactly as the women of other nations pierce theirs for the purpose of wearing earrings; only instead of donning jewels they stick into the perforations the stems of several of these prepared leaves. One may frequently see them starting off for a chat with their neighbors, their ears quite overloaded with their favorite refreshment. loaded with their favorite refreshment.

The Whirigig of Time. Mary had a little lamb, Its fleece was white as snow; And everywhere that Mary went The lamb was sure to go.

fleece is still as white as snow, at Mary's lamb has grawn; now she'd rather walk three miles han face that lamb alone,

A HINDU HIGH PRIESTESS.

An American Swami of an Ancient Indian Order.

There is no ground too sacred for the American woman to tread, not holy of holies too awe inspiring for her to pene-trate; as witness the first of her race, and only the second woman west of the Oriont was the other day in Chicago crdained as a Swami, which, according to the tenets of the Hindoo religion, consti-tutes her a god. Mrs. L. V. Comer, who was, the Swami Shraddananda that is, was thus exaited.

more than thirty years later, when the nuckless Duke of Clarence fell so madly and name, and takes upon himself or heritality by with the heautiful Helen d'Oriente. For the of Edinburgh new Duke

One then voluntarily relinquianes name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and takes upon himself or heritality relinquianes name, and name, and

when a young woman-though she still speaks English with an accent—and lived for many years in New York, where she was initiated into her myatic faith. This imposing ceremony has, by the way, naver been performed in Europe. For some er been performed in Europe. For some time she taught in New York, but came to Chicago two or three years ago, where she continues to be at the head of the order in this country. She has quite a large following in the Western city, and may be found at almost any hour in the rooms of the Adwalts Society, on Twenty! fourth Street.
One cannot look at this nobly propor-

One cannot look at this nonly propor-tioned French woman, with her fine, strong, expressive face and distinctive personality, and not be convinced of her power; nor come to comprehend the sim-plicity of her life and environment with-out feeling that in esponsing poverty and service she has in resility eliminated from

life half of its wearisome details.

Her iron gray hair, for instance, framing her face with its full pompodous, need never give her an instant's uneasiness as to how she will wear it, nor consume any time in its arrangement, while her costume gives that delightfull free-dom from the multability and exactions of fashions that goes with the adoption of any simple uniforms, besides which it is very pretty, and—If one may judge from the two this side the Orient who

have donned it—universally becoming.

The robe is always of other hue signifying the purification by fire. It is made in something the form of a scant princess open all the way down but held in place by buttons, and reaching to within two or three inches of the floor, a convenient walking length and quite effective with tan shoes. If buttoned to the right it signifies that one is a Brahman; otherwise it may indicate some other branch of religion. In this country, of course, one must use such materia as are at hand, and soft cashmeres and crepons seem the most suitable. Hindoo-beads, also of ochre, are worn on occa-sions and add a certain air of mystleism

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toler.

The probably not made of silk, and certainly
in these days the monks, male or female,
daying do not take to the woods, but five in
comfortable homes and are evidently suffi-

tress of the greatest private fortune in Europe. Of her sons, the Crown Prince, who will reign after his father, married one of the enormously rich Hourson princesses; the second of them Prince George, married a Russian Grand Duchese, and became King of Greece. Thus it will be seen, that through a progeny far less numerous, Queen Louisia can fairly reckon thrones with Queen Victoria. In the final accounting, when the balance sheets of ages come to adjustment, it will be not a fittle curious to discover how far the personal equation, as represented by these two arch-match makers goes ahead of the wiles of statesmen, and the deep-laid schemes of diploment of the world and desires to the ages of the second and princes are supported by this second care to the world and desires to the soft the world and desires to the ages of the second and the deep-laid schemes of diploment when the second and the deep-laid schemes of diploment when the second is the deep, quiet, change-less ocean that exists from can tury to ontury now in one form, now in one form, now in one form, now in one form, now in another. You may be a mun in one incarnation, and a woman in the next, accuriling to the second and woman in the next ocean who mark the deep-stand while the soull is the deep, quiet, change-less ocean that exists from can tury to ontury now in one form, now in another. You may be a mun in one incarnation, and a woman in the next person at well as woman in the next person at woman in the next ocean takes of its instance of your development. The dudes, for instance of your development. The dudes, for instance of your development. The dudes, will be more an attention of the mark of your development. The dudes, for instance of your development. The dudes, will be more an attention of the mark of your development. The dudes, for instance who mark the second transition, and a woman in the next second to make the second transition, and a woman in the next form and the next of your development. The dudes, for instance of your developmen become dead to the world and desires to live after the spirit, has been welcome to the brotherhood from its most ancient days. There is no distinction in the cos-tume. We are all manks and wear the

ochre robe. Have many Indian women joined the

"I believe not a large number." "Does your renunciation bring happi-"We at least attain peace and liberation.

"We at least attain peace and abstraction.
Attaching ourselves to nothing, we are never forced to detach ourselves from anything, and the ordinary cares and struggles of human life do not touch us."

"But one must live," was insisted.

"Oh, yes; but our life is so simple that to make the spirit of

come a mother. A fire-to which she is It costs next to nothing. By the spirit of our religion we are vegetarians."
"Meat is then prohibited?"
"We are forbidden nothing. There is not a 'thou shalt not' in our whole code.

But we could not take upon ourselves the vow of service to all living beings, animals included, and then use the lat-ter as food."
"Do you claim to preach Budhism?"

"Our order does not acknowledge race, sex or creed, or rather, it is the epitome of all races and creeds. You notice there back of our after pictures of the Christ, saints of both the Episcopal and Catholic Church, dark-hued prophets of the Orient. Budha, etc. Here I preach Jesus of Nazareth as he is the manifestation ac-cepted in the Western World, and indeed the highest of all manifestations; but among the same spiritual truths. Mahomet as their exponent. Our faith is the synthesis of all religious, moralities and philosophies. That which exists is

one, men call it variously.""
"What progress is this most ancient order making in this most modern of American cities?"

"The thought is growing rapidly. women of New York were inclined to take up the study of Budhistic philosophy as a fad, but the women of Chicago have gone into the subject earnestly, and are

more ready to accept it as a religion."

The name of the Swamis all terminate
in "namda," which signifies bitss—Abhayananda meaning freedom and bits;
Shraddananda, the name of the new con-Shraddananda, the name of the new con-vert, faith and bilss. Once having taken orders, the previous name and environ-ment of the monk are supposed to have passed into utter oblivion. Like her spiritual mother, the first American re-cruit will preach and teach. The saving grace of this as of all religions, worthy the name, is that it teaches unselfiabness and outered love as the highest law. and universal love as the highest law.